

DOPE ABOUT THE FIZZLING BANK ROBBERY STORY

The great Canadian bank robbery farce is now busily engaged in fizzling out at the trial of Police Capt. Mahoney and Lieut. Burns.

And the joke is not on Burns or Mahoney, but on the newspapers that made asses of themselves over the story.

Here is the dope brought out by two days of the trial:

No indication men in Sidias' saloon were bank robbers. Probably they never heard of the Bank of Montreal robbery.

The \$10,000 "loot" in Schuettler's safe is not part of proceeds of B. of M. robbery, unless B. of M. officials are nutty.

Neither Sidias nor Miles Devine hinted to Burns or Mahoney that men in Sidias' saloon were bank robbers. Just said they thought them crooks.

Burns didn't go to saloon to arrest the men. He went to get a line on them, to see if they were crooks.

At least one police officer, Acting Captain Clohesy, said on stand he would have acted just as Burns did.

Burns was not drunk at time of fight, as several newspapers have hinted. At the worst he did not have more than three beers.

Burns was not so badly beaten in the fight. He had both "Big Charlie" and Doc Danzell on the floor, and was getting best of it when a woman, Kitty Kelly, stunned him by blow on head with chair.

This is summary of testimony

so far, and it sure does make it look as if the real "prize boobs" in the case were McWeeny and the newspapers that gave Burns the loud ha-ha.

The testimony indicating that the men in Sidias' saloon never heard of the Bank of Montreal robbery is that of Robert Forgan, cashier of the Mid-City bank.

He said that Colovos, the gambler and police informer, came to Mid-City bank and asked to have \$10,000 worth of Canadian money changed.

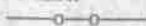
That bank's suspicions were aroused when Colovos offered 3 per cent instead of regular 1 per cent for changing.

That bank examined and took numbers of several of Canadian notes and Forgan had interview with Colovos.

That Colovos admitted to Forgan that money was stolen. Forgan wired circumstances and numbers of several of the notes to Bank of Montreal.

Bank of Montreal wired back that numbers were not of any notes stolen from it.

The \$10,000 Colovos wanted changed is the \$10,000 now in Schuettler's safe.



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